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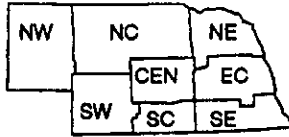
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WEATHER

Temperatures for the week averaged nine to thirteen degrees below normals across the State. Precipitation was intermittent throughout the week with amounts varying from less than a tenth of an inch up to four-tenths of an inch.

GENERAL

Mild weather during February favored cattle on stalks, some fieldwork, and brought some winter wheat out of dormancy, according to the Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Reports indicated farm-stored grain was mostly storing well. A few bins have had to be aerated due to moisture in the top grain layers. Other producer activities included limited fertilizer applications, equipment preparations for spring fieldwork, attending meetings, record keeping, and livestock care.

CROPS

Winter wheat condition declined during February and was rated at 33% fair and 67% good. Concerns consisted mainly of the potential damage to wheat that came out of dormancy in the past few weeks. Any cold snaps following the beginning of re-growth could increase winter kill.

LIVESTOCK

Cattle continued to glean stalk fields due to the mild weather and lack of snow cover. Calving activities were well underway with calving about 20% complete. Condition of cattle and calves was rated at 13% fair, 82% good, and 5% excellent. Supplies of feed grains and hay were mostly adequate.

WINTER REPORTING AS OF MARCH 5, 1995	AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS DISTRICTS								STATE	LAST REPORT	LAST YEAR
	NW	NC	NE	C	EC	SW	SC	SE			
	PER CENT										
% Calves Born	29	17	13	16	24	23	25	17	20	5	25
SUPPLIES OF FEED GRAINS AND HAY AND FORAGE AS OF MARCH 3, 1995											
Feed Grains - Short	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	5
- Adequate	80	82	81	100	82	60	100	77	83	77	93
- Surplus	0	18	19	0	18	40	0	23	14	22	2
Hay and Forage - Short	33	0	6	0	0	20	0	0	7	5	9
- Adequate	67	88	75	100	82	80	92	92	83	90	89
- Surplus	0	12	19	0	18	0	8	8	10	5	2

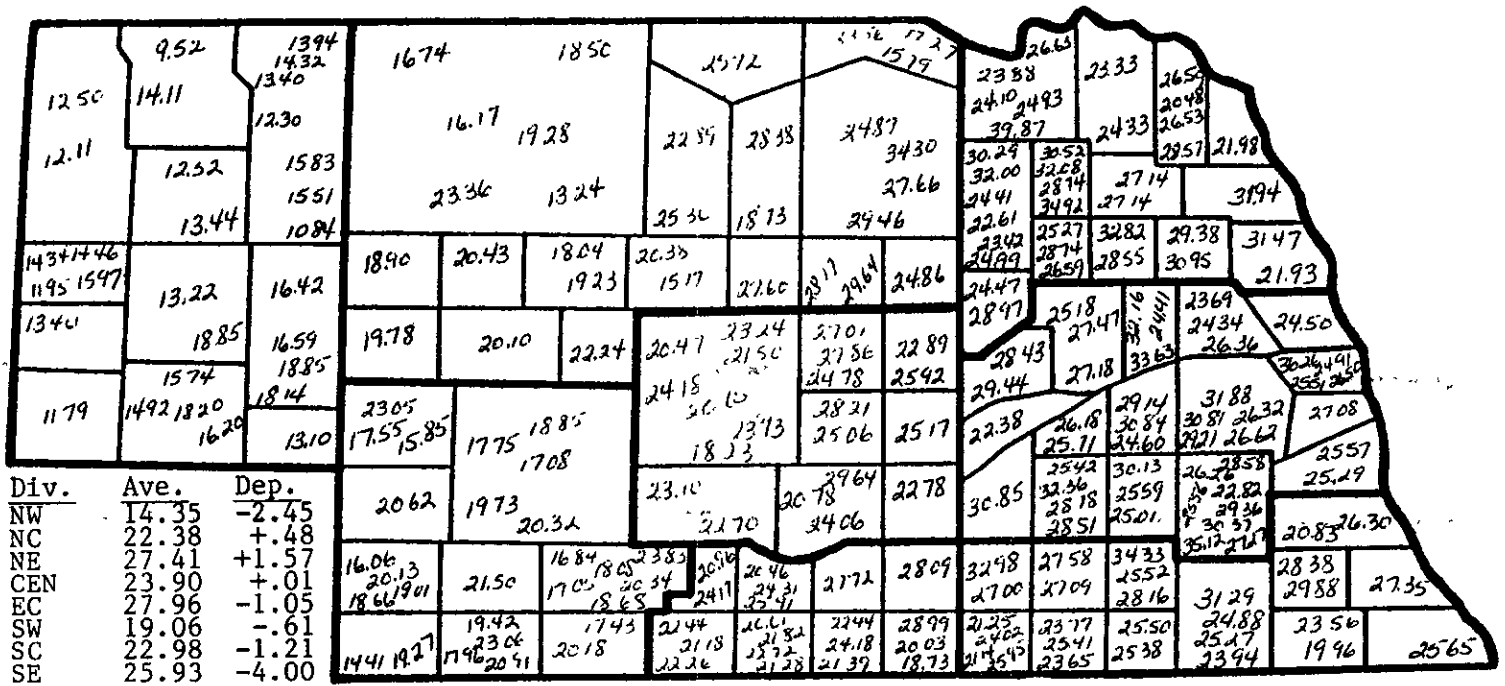
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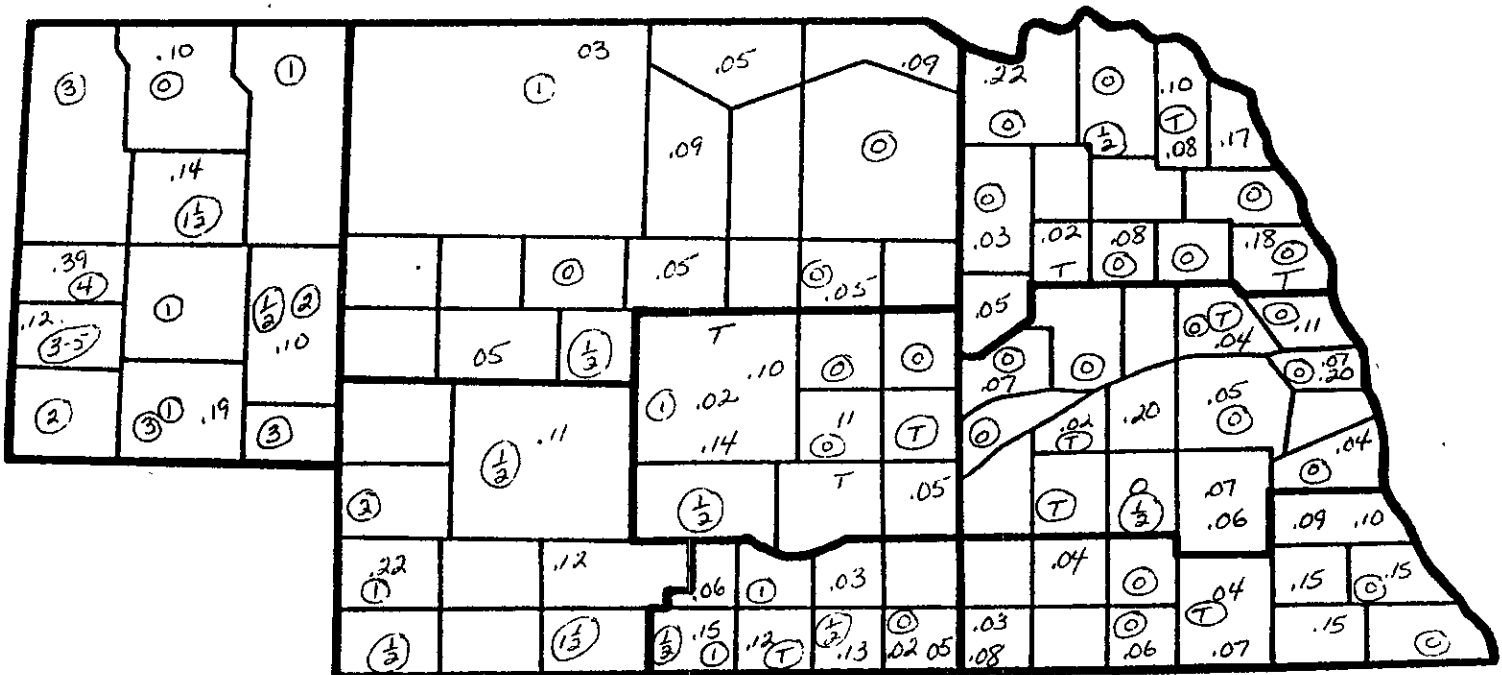
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ANNUAL PRECIPITATION FOR 1994 1/



1/ Courtesy of the Climate Resources Office, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, The University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 1995



Circled numbers represent depth of snow as of March 3, 1995.

TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA, WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, MARCH 5, 1995

Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	45	2	18	---	.10
	Scottsbluff	50	0	21	-12	.39
	Sidney	47	-2	22	---	---
NC	Valentine	43	-2	18	-11	.03
NE	Norfolk	41	4	21	-9	.02
	Sioux City	40	3	20	-10	.17
CEN	Grand Island	39	7	22	-10	.05
	Ord	42	6	21	---	---
EC	Lincoln	41	8	22	-11	.07
	Omaha	40	7	23	-10	.07
SW	Imperial	40	3	21	---	---
	North Platte	42	4	19	-13	.11

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.